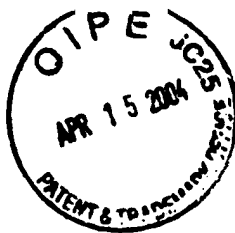




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REPLY/AMENDMENT FEE TRANSMITTAL		Attorney Docket No.	469.1091		
		Application Number	10/003,239		
		Filing Date	December 6, 2001		
		First Named Inventor	Roger J.W. CROAD et al.		
		Group Art Unit	3652		
AMOUNT ENCLOSED	294.00	Examiner Name	James W. KEENAN		
FEE CALCULATION (fees effective 10/01/03)					
CLAIMS AS AMENDED	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Number Extra	Rate	Calculations
TOTAL CLAIMS	26	- 24 =	2	X \$ 18.00 =	\$ 36.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	6	- 3 =	3	X \$ 86.00 =	258.00
Since an Official Action set an <u>original</u> due date of <u>April 15, 2004</u> , petition is hereby made for an extension to cover the date this reply is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month (\$110); 2 months (\$420); 3 months (\$950); 4 months (\$1,480); 5 months (\$2,010)):					
If Notice of Appeal is enclosed, add (\$330.00)					
If Statutory Disclaimer under Rule 20(d) is enclosed, add fee (\$110.00)					
Information Disclosure Statement (Rule 1.17(p)) (\$180.00)					
Total of above Calculations =					\$ 294.00
Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (37 CFR 1.9, 1.27 & 1.28)					
TOTAL FEES DUE =					\$ 294.00
(1) If entry (1) is less than entry (2), entry (3) is "0".					
(2) If entry (2) is less than 20, change entry (2) to "20".					
(4) If entry (4) is less than entry (5), entry (6) is "0".					
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METHOD OF PAYMENT					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Check enclosed as payment.					
<input type="checkbox"/> Charge "TOTAL FEES DUE" to the Deposit Account No. below.					
<input type="checkbox"/> No payment is enclosed and no charges to the Deposit Account are authorized at this time (unless specifically required to obtain a filing date).					
GENERAL AUTHORIZATION					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If the above-noted "AMOUNT ENCLOSED" is not correct, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any additional fees necessary to:					
Deposit Account No.		19-3935			
Deposit Account Name		STAAS & HALSEY LLP			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is also authorized to credit any overpayments or charge any additional fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 (filing fees) or 37 CFR 1.17 (processing fees) during the prosecution of this application, including any related application(s) claiming benefit hereof pursuant to 35 USC § 120 (e.g., continuations/divisionals/CIPs under 37 CFR 1.53(b) and/or continuations/divisionals/CPAs under 37 CFR 1.53(d)) to maintain pendency hereof or of any such related application.					
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For: SUBSTRATE LOADING APPARATUS

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Sir:

This is responsive to the final Office Action mailed January 15, 2004, having a shortened period for response set to expire on April 15, 2004.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted.

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